CITY OF PORT LAVACA

CITY COUNCIL MEETING: AUGUST 18, 2025 AGENDA ITEM

DATE: 8/11/2025

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: BRITTNEY HOGAN, FINANCE DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: CONSIDER SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING ON FY2025-26 PROPOSED BUDGET

In accordance with the State of Texas Property Tax Code, the Comptroller of Texas' Truth-in-Taxation rules, the Local Government Code and the City's Charter, the City is required to hold a public hearing on the FY 2025-2026 budget.

The City Council must set the date and time for a Public Hearing on the proposed FY2025-26 budget. According to our budget calendar, we have scheduled the Public Hearing on the Budget to be held at a regular council meeting on September 8, 2025, at which time we may also have the First reading of the ordinance to adopt the FY 2026 budget.

Because the proposed tax rate exceeded the No-New-Revenue rate, legislation considers it a tax increase, and requires special language to accompany the notice of public hearing on the budget as follows:

For a tax rate of \$0.8000

"This budget will raise more total property taxes than last year's budget by \$329,825 or 6.02%, and of that amount \$37,504 is tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year."

Only one public hearing is required and satisfies the requirements for a later vote on the ordinance adopting the annual budget.

Staff recommends the Public Hearing be set for <u>September 8, 2025, at 6:30PM</u> (Regular Meeting), according to our budget calendar.

City of Port Lavaca, Texas Notice of Public Hearing Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget

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The City Council of the City of Port Lavaca, Texas, will hold a public hearing on the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Proposed Budget on Monday, September 8, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. at 202 North Virginia St.

The proposed budget and budget message are available for public inspection at:

- Port Lavaca City Hall, 202 North Virginia Street; and
- The City of Port Lavaca website: https://portlavaca.org/citydepartments/finance-department